practice or offer to practice professional nursing or practical nursing, or to use any sign, card or device to indicate that such person is a professional nurse, a registered nurse or a practical nurse.

291.

As used in this subtitle the following terms shall have the meanings indicated unless a contrary meaning is clearly intended from the context in which the term appears:

- (a) "Board" means the State Board of Examiners of Nurses.
- (b) "Practice of professional nursing" means the performance for compensation of any acts in the observation, care and counsel of the ill, injured or infirm, or in the maintenance of health or prevention of illness of others, or in the supervision and teaching of other personnel, or the administration of medications and treatments, as prescribed by a licensed physician or dentist; requiring substantial specialized judgment and skill and based on knowledge and application of the principles of biological, physical and social science. The foregoing shall not be deemed to include acts of diagnosis or prescription of therapeutic or corrective measures.
- (c) "Practice of practical nursing" means the performance for compensation of acts in the care of the ill, injured or infirm under the direction of a registered professional nurse or a licensed physician or dentist, and not requiring the substantial specialized skill, judgment, and knowledge required in professional nursing.
- (d) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent an unlicensed person from performing acts of nursing, pursuant to the instruction and under the direction of a licensed physician, dentist, registered professional nurse, or licensed practical nurse within their respective areas of responsibility. From and after June 1, 1969, persons performing such selected acts shall not be designated by the word "nurse," but may use the term "nursing," in connection with a word to distinguish the occupation of the user, including but not limited to, "nursing aide," "nursing assistant."

292.

- (a) The Governor shall appoint the Board consisting of five members. The members of the Board holding office on June 1, 1967, shall serve the balance of the terms for which they were appointed. Thereafter the term of office for members of the Board shall be three years. No member shall be appointed to more than three consecutive terms.
- (b) On expiration of the term of any Board member, the Maryland Nurses Association shall submit to the Governor a list of five of its members qualified to serve on the Board. Appointment shall be made from this list. Vacancies occurring on the Board shall be filled for the unexpired terms by the Governor in the manner aforesaid. An additional list of five names shall be furnished to the Governor by the Maryland Nurses Association upon his request.
- (c) The Governor may, after notice and an opportunity for hearing, remove any member from the Board for neglect of any duty required by law or for incompetency or unprofessional or dishonorable conduct.